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Application No.: 10/689111 Group Art Unit: 3677  
Filed: October 20, 2003 Examiner: James R. Brittain  
Title: A METHOD FOR MAKING A MUSHROOM-TYPE HOOK STRIP FOR A  
MECHANICAL FASTENER

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This is an appeal from the Office Action mailed on January 13, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-12.

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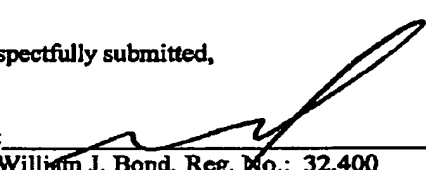
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**CONCLUSION**

For the foregoing reasons, appellants respectfully submit that the Examiner has erred in rejecting this application. Please reverse the Examiner on all counts.

Respectfully submitted,

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